

**WASHINGTON** - U.S. Rep. Harry Mitchell made the following statement this evening regarding the VA's decision to issue emergency checks to students awaiting GI Bill benefits. [

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"With thousands of veterans awaiting the GI Bill benefits that they have been expecting I am glad that the VA is taking this step to send out emergency checks. I am still concerned that the VA failed to meet its responsibilities to our veterans on time and will continue to press the VA to ensure that all of our veterans receive all of the GI Bill benefits they have earned. The education that our veterans have been promised must not be delayed, not by a single semester."